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PATENT APPLICATION	First Inventor Markus BLUME and Markus HOFFMANN Title Method Of Séarching For Data Or Data- Holding Resources Stored Currently Or At An Earlier Time On A Distributed System, Where Account Is Taken Of The Time Of Its/Their Availability					
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